

N2 Number Properties

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Keywords

Standard Form - When a very big or very little number is written in two parts

Indices - how many times to use the number in a multiplication, it is written as a small number above the base number

Prime Number - a whole number above 1 that can **not** be made by multiplying other whole numbers

Factor - numbers we can multiply together to get another number

Multiple - the result of multiplying a number by an integer

HCF - highest common factor

LCM - lowest common multiple

Formulae/Key Facts

Laws of indices

multiplication $n^a \times n^b = n^{a+b}$ (add powers)

division $n^a \div n^b = n^{a-b}$ (subtract powers)

power of a power $(n^a)^b = n^{a \times b}$ (multiply powers)

zero power $n^0 = 1$ (always equals 1)

Standard Form:

Any number between 1 and less than 10 $\rightarrow A \times 10^n$
 Any integer \rightarrow

Example

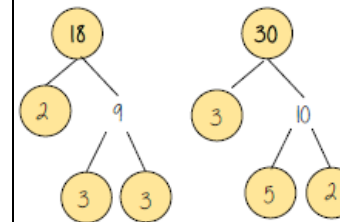
$$\begin{aligned} 3.2 \times 10^4 \\ = 3.2 \times 10 \times 10 \times 10 \times 10 \\ = 32000 \end{aligned}$$

Non-example

$$\begin{aligned} (0.8) \times 10^4 \\ 5.3 \times 10^{07} \end{aligned}$$

Examples

Product of primes

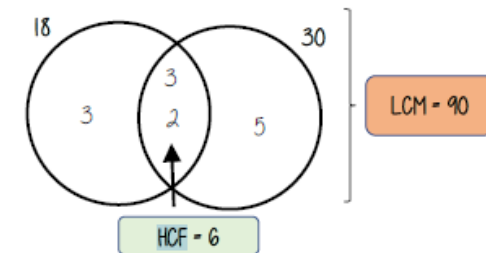


Written in index form

$$18 = 2 \times 3^2$$

$$30 = 2 \times 3 \times 5$$

Find the HCF and LCM of 18 and 30



Multiplication and division

$$\frac{1.5 \times 10^5}{0.3 \times 10^3}$$

Division questions can look like this

$$(1.5 \times 10^5) \div (0.3 \times 10^3)$$

$$(1.5 \div 0.3) \times 10^5 \div 10^3$$

$$= 5 \times 10^2$$

For multiplication and division you can look at the values for A and the powers of 10 as two separate calculations

Revisit addition and subtraction laws for indices – they are needed for the calculations

Addition law for indices

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}$$

Subtraction law for indices

$$a^m \div a^n = a^{m-n}$$

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